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**Lt. General Joseph F. Carroll**  
Director  
Defense Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear Joe:

I hasten to reply to your letter of 23 April in which you propose a new look at policies and procedures governing overseas handling, processing, and reporting of sensitive photographic information. I concur that there is a need for a new look at this subject, and the membership of the Ad Hoc Committee you suggest is fine with me.

It seems to me that the processing and reporting of information derived from photography is a matter of more direct concern to the DCI and the USIB than to the NRO. The Board now provides guidance to the NRO on requirements, tasking, and scheduling of film duplication and distribution, and the processing question is closely allied.

Accordingly, I would propose that [redacted] 25X1  
Chairman of USIB's COMOR, be designated chairman of the committee. [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] would represent CIA and [redacted]  
[redacted] would represent NPIC.

Faithfully yours,

/s/ Pat

NRO review(s) completed.

**Marshall S. Carter**  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Deputy Director

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General Carter:


1. In the attached, you are given your option in two possible responses to a recent letter from Joe Carroll which suggests the creation of an ad hoc committee to review the policies and procedures governing field processing of sensitive source photography.

2. The Agency agrees that there is value in what Carroll suggests. I have attached the references in Carroll's memo which show that existing procedures go way back to as early as 1957. It is time for a new look.

3. The Agency does not agree, however, with Carroll's suggestion that the NRO chair this committee. This is more a substantive intelligence matter than it is operational. I also understand that NRO itself is not keen on chairing such a committee.

4. You will note that one of the proposed answers in effect suggests that COMOR be asked to look into this with expanded representation as required. The other goes along with the idea of a special committee but proposes   as chairman of the group. I think the latter is preferable and therefore recommend that you sign the top-most letter.

5. You will note neither letter is classified. The reason for this is that multiple copies will be run off on pre-printed classified sheets for multiple dissemination after you sign.

OK as amended  


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